NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT (NCRTD)

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-15

A RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE REGIONAL BENEFITS OF THE NEW MEXICO RAIL RUNNER AND ENCOURAGING THE IDENTIFICATION OF AN INTERCEPTOR STATION ALONG THE I-25 CORRIDOR FOR SOUTHBOUND PASSENGER TRAVEL.

WHEREAS, daily traffic on Interstate 25 (I-25) between Santa Fe and Albuquerque continues to increase; and,

WHEREAS, the use of the Rail Runner will decrease the traffic on I-25, thereby decreasing air pollution and vehicular accidents; and,

WHEREAS, the Rail Runner will provide a regional alternative transportation system to provide convenience and ease of travel for those who work and recreate along the I-25 corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the Rail Runner will improve the quality of life for many commuters, and spur economic development for the City of Santa Fe, the County of Santa Fe and the State of New Mexico; and,

WHEREAS, the Rail Runner is a cooperative effort between the cities of Santa Fe and Albuquerque, the counties of Santa Fe, Sandoval and Bernalillo, and the State of New Mexico, to improve

transportation for many New Mexicans; and,

WHEREAS, groundbreaking for Phase II of the Rail Runner project has occurred and construction work has begun; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to identify a suitable location along the I-25 corridor to accommodate southbound passenger travel; and,

WHEREAS, the State has offered to construct a station in the Santa Fe area as part of its current Rail Runner project development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT, that the governing body support the regional benefits of the New Mexico Rail Runner project, and recommend locating the station along the I-25 corridor at the intersection of I-25, NM 599 and NM 14, to accommodate southbound passenger travel.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 9th day of November, 2007.

Jim West, Chairman

Approved as to form:

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